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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: RHODESIA: OAU MEETING

REF: STATE 169971

1. BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER RECEIVED CABLE GUIDANCE FROM FCO ON SATURDAY, JULY 8 TO EFFECT THAT HIS US COLLEAGUE "NOW HAS INSTRUCTIONS TO MAKE DEMARCHE AS ENVISAGED" ON OAU HANDLING OF RHODESIAN ISSUE (REFTEL). GUIDANCE CONTAINED UK-APPROVED REVISIONS PROPOSED BY DEPARTMENT.

2. AS OF 1530 JULY 10 WE HAD NOT RPT NOT RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS MENTIONED IN FCO CABLE. BECAUSE CABINET MEETING MORNING JULY 11 WOULD BE THE LAST ONE PRIOR TO PRIME MINISTER'S DEPARTURE FOR KHARTOUM, I ACCOMPANIED HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR PRESENTATION OF REFTEL PAPER TO PERMANENT SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS LATE AFTERNOON JULY 10.

3. PERMANENT SECRETARY AGREED TO PASS REFTEL PAPER TO PRIME MINISTER BEFORE TUESDAY CABINET MEETING AND SAID THAT, AS WE CONFIDENTIAL

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KNEW, GOS POSITION HAS ALWAYS BEEN THAT ALL PARTIES INVOLVED IN RHODESIA SHOULD TAKE PART IN DECISIONS ABOUT CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENTS THERE, I.E., OUTSIDE STATES SHOULD NOT DICTATE WHICH OF THE CONTENDING FORCES WOULD TAKE OVER LEADERSHIP IN RHODESIA (OR ELSEWHERE).

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